

WE CLAIM:

A system for providing a communication network, comprising:

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- (i) an intranet-connected server having input and access capabilities;
- (ii) a means on the server for receiving instructions input from a first user and for creating a dedicated intranet site based on the received instructions;
- (iii) means for communicating existence of the dedicated intranet site to a nominated second user;
- (iv) means for accessing contents of the dedicated intranet site by the second user via a web-browser installed on the second user; and
- means for storing information in the dedicated intranet site input via a (v) web-browser installed at the first or the second user.

A system to provide a team of users with intranet-based groupware application functionality, comprising:

- (i) an intranet-connected server having a means for receiving an initiate instruction from a primary user;
- a means for creating a dedicated site on the server in response to the (ii) initiate instruction:
- (iii) means for sending information about the existence of the site to at least one secondary user nominated by the primary user;
- (iv) means to receive information at the dedicated site sent by the at least one secondary user using a web browser;
- (v) means to store information at the dedicated site at the request of the primary and the at least one secondary user;
- (vi) means to permit processing of the information stored at the dedicated site by the primary and the at least one secondary user; and
- (vii) means to download stored and processed information to the primary user and the at least one secondary user for display via a web browser.

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- 3. The system according to claim 1, wherein the primary user sends the initiate instruction via a web-browser.
- 4. The system according to claim 1, wherein the means to receive information comprises a web-browser.
- 5. The system according to claim 1, wherein the server has a unique URL address.

The system according to claim 1, wherein the server contains an address database of communication addresses for users connected to the intranet.

The system according to claim 6, wherein en external user's address can be added to the address database.

- 8. The system according to claim 1, wherein a user accessing the communication network is assigned a unique personal workspace which provides the user with access to the features of the network assigned to the user.
- 9. The system according to claim 1, wherein a user is assigned a password enabling access to predefined sites within the server.
- 10. The system according to claim 1, wherein the means to permit processing of the stored information comprises providing the primary user with a workgroup activity application.

The system according to claim 1, wherein the workgroup activity application is selected from the group comprising bulletin board, chat room, calendar, contact database, change control, event planner, group discussion, issue management,

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project collaboration, presentation library, decision survey in a box, NGS proposal development and document management.

- 12. The system according to claim 1, wherein the means to send information comprises E-mail.
- 1,3. A method for providing a communication network, comprising:

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- (i) providing an intranet-connected server having upload and download capabilities;
- receiving instructions uploaded from a first user and for creating a (ii) dedicated intranet site on the server, the dedicated intranet site having a unique name based on the received instructions;
- (iii) communicating the existence of the dedicated intranet site to a nominated second user;
- (iv) downloading contents of the dedicated intranet site to the second user via a web-browser installed at the second user;
- (v) storing information in the dedicated web-site uploaded via a web-browser installed at the first or the second user.

A computer configured to operate a groupware application program, the computer comprising:

- (i) means to connect to at least a primary and a secondary user;
- means to receive instructions input from the primary user; (ii)
- (iii) means to create a dedicated site within the computer based on the instructions input from the primary user;
- (iv) means to look up address of secondary user from an address database;
- (v) means to communicate existence of the dedicated site to the secondary user:

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- (vi) means to store information at the dedicated site at the request of the primary and the secondary user; and
- (vii) means to process the stored information at the request of the primary and the secondary user.
- A data carrier having thereon a computer program for performing the steps of:
 facilitating communication between a server, a primary user and a secondary user;
 - (i) creating a dedicated site within the server based on instructions input from the primary user;
 - (ii) looking up address of the secondary user from an address database;
 - (iii) communicating the existence of the dedicated site to the secondary user;
 - (iv) storing information at the dedicated site at the request of the primary and the secondary user; and
 - (v) processing the stored information at the request of the primary and the secondary user.